## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## **AND**

## U.S. COAST GUARD

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

## I. Purpose and Basis for Memorandum of Agreement

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is entered into between the Department of Defense (DoD) and the United States Coast Guard (CG).

This MOA establishes that members of active duty CG shall be eligible patrons of DoD child development centers (CDCs) on installations and Defense Agency sites, and that DoD active duty military members and DoD civilian personnel shall be eligible patrons of CG CDCs as further described below. This MOA also establishes a process for ensuring that child care subsidy expenses incurred in CDCs are reimbursed to the CG and DoD for dependents using their respective CDCs.

The Support Agreement (DD Form 1144) between DoD and CG shall comply with Section 1535 of title 31, United States Code, "Agency Agreements" (commonly known as the Economy Act). The stated care shall be made available to local active duty CG personnel subject to reimbursement of the DoD share of the child care expense by the CG. The care in CG CDCs shall be made available to DoD patrons subject to reimbursement of the CG share of the child care expense by DoD.

Each installation commander and Defense Agency Director shall establish a definitive priority system under which access to CDCs for active duty CG is the same as for members of the other armed forces patrons who are eligible to use the installation or Defense Agency CDCs. DoD personnel shall be eligible for patronage at CG CDC's after CG patrons are accommodated. DoD active duty members shall have priority over DoD civilians and other federal civilian employees.

# 11. Department of Defense Child Development Centers

The purpose of the DoD child development program (CDP) is to assist DoD military and civilian personnel in balancing competing demands of family life and the accomplishment of the DoD mission. Currently, DoD CDPs, including CDCs, operate under the DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6060.2, "Child Development Programs (CDPs)," January 19, 1993. This MOA will be made an enclosure to DoDI 6060.2 upon signature of this **MOA** and issuance of a directive-type memorandum by DoD.

## 111. Coast Guard Child Development Centers

CG child development programs operate under Title 14, Part I, Chapter 13, Section 515, United States Code. Ensuring availability of adequate child care promotes military readiness within the CG and other armed forces.

## IV. Description of Procedures and Services

Coast Guard active duty members shall be added to the list of eligible patrons for DoD CDC's on an equal basis with personnel of the other armed forces. DoD military and civilian personnel shall be eligible for patronage at CG CDC's after CG personnel are accommodated. DoD active duty military members shall have priority over DoD civilians and other federal civilian employees.

Services shall use the Economy Act as the authority to provide reciprocal child care services. CG and DoD CDC program managers will conduct an annual census on 15 January each year to determine the number of DoD dependents in CG CDCs and the number of CG dependents in DoD CDC's. Each program manager will multiply the number of dependents by the child care subsidy dollar value for the slot occupied to determine the total reimbursement required. The program managers will then determine the "delta" that exists between these overall reimbursement numbers. That delta will establish the amount of funds to be reimbursed not later than September of each fiscal year by the agency incurring the higher expense. CG and DoD program managers will establish and provide the child care subsidy dollar figures to be used in this calculation at the time of each census.

#### V. Effective Date and Termination

This MOA becomes effective upon the signature of the authorized officials of the representative parties. It shall remain in effect until terminated by mutual agreement or 60 days advance notice by either party.

## VI. Limitation

The parties agree that the actions outlined in this MOA, once implemented, shall be used in procedures and policies related to CDC access and use. It is entered into only as a declaration of present intent. Nothing herein shall be construed as a legally binding commitment of any party or parties hereto either individually or collectively. This MOA does not create any rights either on the part of any party hereto or any third party. Any provision of this MOA that conflicts with federal law will be null and void.

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